

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and the Omaha Police Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: Alexis Niebla was sentenced today to 10 years incarceration for conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine by the Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon, United States District Judge. Mr. Niebla also agreed to forfeit \$4,764.00 in United States currency and a 2007 Jeep Grand Cherokee. He was placed on 5 years of supervised release following his release from incarceration and ordered to pay a \$100 special assessment.

The Omaha police narcotics unit made controlled buys of methamphetamine on April 8 and May 8 from Mr. Niebla. On May 13 he brought a little more than two ounces of methamphetamine to a meeting where he was arrested. The police obtained a search warrant for Mr. Niebla's residence because surveillance during the various buys saw the defendant coming and going from it. Police seized \$4,764.00 and a black Jeep Grand Cherokee,

Name of Defendant: Alexis Niebla

AKA:

Age: 25

City of residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine (actual), imprisonment of 1- years to life, a fine of \$4,000,000, both such fine and imprisonment, a term of supervised release of at least 5 years, and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime:

Location of Arrest:

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: 53 grams or more of methamphetamine (actual) from all incidents combined.

Others Charged in Same Scheme: Juana Tapia-Borgas

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: Beginning from an unknown date but at least as early as

October 1, 2007, and continuing through May 13, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: 7/24/08

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: Superseding Indictment filed 8/20/08

Initial Appearance Date: 7/24/08

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Pled 11/5/08

Sentencing Date: 2/13/09

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: None

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Detained

In Continuous Custody Since: 7/24/08

Assigned District Court Judge: Joseph F. Bataillon

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